

South Dakota 9-1-1 Coordination Board

Meeting Minutes for August 31, 2010 – 10:30 AM Central
VIA Teleconference
Public Listening Location, 118 W. Capitol Avenue, Pierre, SD

Board members present: Barthel, Carmon, Falken, Haines, Rufledt, Sawvell, Serr, Tucholke, Turbak, Turman

Board members absent: Sebert, Goldschmidt

Staff present: Michael Houdyshell (9-1-1 Coordinator, DPS Attorney)

Others present: None

I. Call to Order & Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 10:30 AM by Chairperson Rufledt. Roll was taken and a quorum was present.

II. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda.

Moved by: Carmon Second by: Falken

Discussion: None

Conclusion: Motion carried unanimously.

III. Approval of July 22, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve meeting minutes.

Moved by: Haines Second by: Turman

Discussion: None

Conclusion: Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Public Comment

None

V. Discussion of Legislative Subcommittee August 17, 2010 meeting and proposed legislative agenda for 2011 Session.

Carmon summarized the legislative subcommittee meeting of August 17, 2010. Carmon reported that the subcommittee voted to recommend not offering a surcharge bill this upcoming session, but to provide any available data to the legislature if a surcharge bill is brought. Carmon reported that the subcommittee was recommending clean-up language to SDCL 34-45, including proposed additional rulemaking authority for the board.

Rufledt, Jr. led a discussion on the surcharge issue and explained how the subcommittee arrived at the decision to not offer a surcharge bill this upcoming session. Barthel, Carmon, Turbak, and Tucholke all stated that it was critical for the board to show support for any surcharge bill. Turman cautioned that the board's position would be impacted by the direction of the Governor's office.

Motion to approve Section 1 of proposed legislative agenda.

Moved by: Carmon Second by: Barthel

Discussion: Turbak questioned whether the section needed to make it clear that the surcharge is exclusively for the 911 system. Houdyshell stated he did not think it was necessary. Serr concurred with Houdyshell.

Conclusion: Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve Section 2 of proposed legislative agenda.

Moved by: Serr Second by: Falken

Discussion: Sawvell asked if allowable costs would be listed in rules or in statute. Houdyshell stated that allowable costs would be promulgated in the rulemaking process. Serr stated that he thought it was important to have clear standards in place in regard to allowable costs, but cautioned it would be a highly debatable, emotional issue. Turbak stated that he thought the section was unnecessary and in his opinion the board already has the authority to set allowable costs. Houdyshell commented that it was unclear and clarity was necessary. Rufledt, Jr. concurred.

Conclusion: Motion carried unanimously.

VI. Discussion of Winbourne & Costas proposal for Surcharge Collection Data Analysis Project.

Houdyshell stated he had discussed amending the cost proposal and work schedule with Winbourne & Costas. Houdyshell also stated he had spoken with one of the references provided by the company and it appeared the company provided good service and had the necessary expertise.

Motion to authorize 9-1-1 Coordinator to enter into contract negotiations with Winbourne & Costas, Inc. and to initiate the Surcharge Collection Data Analysis Project immediately.

Moved by: Carmon

Second by: Tucholke

Discussion: Serr asked how much was budgeted for project. Houdyshell stated that \$25,000 was budgeted for outside consultation expenses. Turbak asked if other proposals were received. Houdyshell commented that one other was received, but the cost proposal was excessive and didn't fit the criteria of the RFP.

Conclusion: Motion carried unanimously.

VII. Other Business

Serr advised he had not received the most recent e-mails from Houdyshell. Serr will send a different e-mail address to Houdyshell.

Houdyshell advised the board of a letter received by the Governors office from a constituent in regards to how a 9-1-1 call was handled recently. Houdyshell will be contacting the PSAP involved to look into the matter further and he will keep the board briefed on the issue.

Chairman Ruffedt reminded board members that the next board meeting would be held September 30th in Pierre immediately following the public hearing on the proposed alternate compliance methods rules. Houdyshell asked board members needing a room for the night of September 29th to let him know as soon as possible.

VIII. Adjourn

Moved by: Haines

Second by: Carmon

Discussion: None

Conclusion: Motion carried unanimously.